

all occupied with our pressing duties and spurred onward by our desires and ambitions we are nearing the end.

“ Like as the damask rose you see,
 Or like the blossom on the tree,
 Or like the dainty flower in May,
 Or like the morning of the day,
 Or like the sun, or like the shade,
 Or like the gourd—which Jonas had—
 E'en such is man, whose thread is spun,
 Drawn out, and cut, and so is done.”

(S. WARHEL.)

Two stalwart forms and kindly faces will be missed from amongst us this season. The places of F. W. Strange and C. H. Cook are vacant. They hardly waited until they could feel the “langour of age stealing on,” or until they could say, “What can an old man do but die?” but were taken off in a moment, leaving for us the blank not easily filled.

During the past beautiful summer Canada attained an eminence far beyond anything we had expected for her at this early date in her history, and the medical profession here was honored in a way which is flattering in the extreme. Men of the greatest eminence in the scientific world visited our country and our cities, and left behind them words of wisdom which should spur us onward towards higher and better achievements than we ever dreamed of. And I am pleased to be in a position to say (having met some of them on their return to their homes) that they have carried away a favorable and lasting impression of the value of this New World to which many of them were introduced for the first time here in our midst. We cannot help but admire the pluck and determination which enabled such eminent men of science—many of them grown grey with years—to cross the North Atlantic, and return at a time when the gory waves were at their worst, in order that they might meet together in a new place, and expound their theories or lay bare the truths ferreted out from nature by vast and patient effort. Let us take example by their energy, so that we may not flag in our work.

“The only real and lasting enjoyment in life is to be found in work. The conditions of health, happiness, development, mental, moral and physical vigor and unimpaired faculties for old age, are found only in the full exercise of all our powers to the limit of their capacity.”

We have many bright examples of men who, though engaged in the most arduous work of active medical practice, have found